

JOHN J. SHOCKEY.

JANUARY 29, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. KERR, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 2672.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2672) granting a pension to John J. Shockey, having considered the same, adopt the report of the Senate Committee on Pensions, as follows, and recommend the passage of the bill without amendment:

[Senate Report No. 1193, Fifty-fourth Congress, second session.]

This soldier was a musician and band instructor in the Fifty-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served about a year during the late war. Through some technicality, most probably while with the regiment (it was not near a mustering camp) he was never regularly mustered into the service, and consequently is ineligible for pension under any general law.

It appears from the evidence that claimant while with the regiment contracted chronic diarrhea and rheumatism, and has been a sufferer therefrom ever since.

Under these circumstances your committee recommend that this bill be passed as amended.

